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OUTCOME OF THE WORLD SUMMIT FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT:
DRAFT DECLARATION AND DRAFT PROGRAMME OF ACTION

Report of the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole

1. The Committee of the Whole on agenda item 4 met in __ sessions over four days to consider the revised draft programme of action contained in document A/CONF.166/PC/CRP.2. The secretariat for the World Summit recorded the numerous suggestions and contributions of the delegations.

2. Views were expressed on a range of substantive issues relating to social development. There were several substantive points that required further discussion and negotiation before the Committee could reach consensus. Those were:

- (a) The movement of people across borders;
- (b) External debt;
- (c) Structural adjustment;
- (d) Official development assistance;
- (e) Human security;
- (f) Sustainable social/human development;
- (g) Social security;
- (h) Broadening the understanding of work to include informal activities.

3. The Committee of the Whole pointed to the need to maintain the five-chapter structure, and the subsections and headings, contained in the current draft of the programme of action. Within each subsection, and contingent upon the final format of the outcome of the Summit, however, it was proposed to adopt a three-part structure for the text: rationale; goals or objectives; and actions.

4. The Committee recognized that it would be necessary to consider the current text and amendments in order to produce a revised text to be presented to the Preparatory Committee at its third session. For that purpose it was agreed that an open-ended meeting of a group of friends of the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole, assisted by the secretariat, should convene during the period between the second and third sessions of the Preparatory Committee. The exact dates for the meeting were not established, although it was suggested that the group should meet at the end of September or beginning of October, with the intention of producing a new text, in the format of a proposal by the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole, contained in a document with limited distribution, for distribution by 1 November 1994.
